SURVEY OF MINERALS IN SHORAPUR

25. Sri RAJA PID NAIK (Shorapur).—

Will the Minister for Industries be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether Survey of minerals in Shorapur Taluk in Gulbarga District has been conducted ;

(*b*) if so, which are the important minerals that are available there and whether the Government proposed to exploit the same ?

Sri S. M. KRISHNA (Minister for Industries).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Gold, copper and limestone are the improtant minerals available in the Taluk. The question of exploitation of Gold is not proposed as it is not considered economical. The question of exploiting Copper will be examined after investigations are completed.

Lime stone is being exploited.

Sri RAJA PID NAIK.—May I know when the survey of the minerals was conducted ?

* Sri S. M. KRISHNA.—The State Government has undertaken since 1970, detailed mapping, prospecting and sinking of two shafts, which are in progress in Thinthini.

Sri RAJA PID NAIK.—May I know the stage at which the work of investigation of copper stands at present and how long will you take to complete the investigation ?

Sri S. M. KRISHNA.—There are certain promising features about the occurence of copper in Thinthini. The Chitradurga Copper Company has been investigating in this area and it is a continuous process. So, I cannot give the date line as to when it is going to be completed, but we are certainly at it.

Sri RAJA PID NAIK.—Is it a fact that raw materials for starting a Cement Factory are available ? If so, has the Government any proposals to start a Factory ?

Sri S. M. KRISHNA.—It is a fact that fairly extensive deposits of limestone of cement grade are available in this region, but I do not know whether we can start a cement plant. There is the Cement Corporation of India. If we are convinced that there is quite an extensive deposit of limestone, then we will certainly make a recommendation to the Cement Corporation of India. They might then probably permit the starting of a cement factory in this region.

Sri RAJA PID NAIK.—Government is conducting investigation regarding copper since 3 or 4 years, in Thinthini, Shorapur Taluk. What are the reports received by the Government regarding the progress made since these three or four years ?

Sri S. M. KRISHNA.—I just submitted to the House that since 1970, mapping, prospecting and sinking of two shafts are all in progress. From the investigation so far carried out, the deposit is promising and we are working on this basis.

GUARANTEE BOND FROM ENGINEERS OF M.I.S.L

38. Sri S. M. SHEERANALY CHANDRASEKHAR (Hosanagar).—

Will the Minister for Industries be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that shift engineers working at Mysore Iron and Steel Ltd., have to execute guarantee bond for seven years;

(*b*) if so, whether this practice is enforced strictly?

Sri S. M. KRISHNA (Minister for Industries).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಎಂ. ಶೀರನಾಳಿ ಚಂದ್ರಶೇಖರ್.—ಈಗ ಆ ಕಾರ್ಖಾನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆಲಸಗಾರರ 7 ವರ್ಷಗಳ ಕಾಲ ಕೆಲಸ ಮಾಡಬೇಕೆಂಬ ನಿಯಮ ಇದ್ದಂತೆ ಕಾಣುತ್ತದೆ. ಇದರಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆಲವರ 7 ವರ್ಷಗಳ ಒಳಗೇ ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆಲಸ ಬಿಟ್ಟು ಹೋಗಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಆದರೆ ಕೆಲವರು 7 ವರ್ಷಗಳ ಒಳಗೆ ಅಲ್ಲಿಂದ ಕೆಲಸ ಬಿಟ್ಟು ಹೋಗುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಮ್ಯಾನೇಜ್‌ಮೆಂಟಿನವರು ಅವಕಾಶ ಕೊಡದೇ ಇರುವುದು ತಮ್ಮ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆಯೇ?

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ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಎಂ. ಶೀರನಾಳಿ ಚಂದ್ರಶೇಖರ್.—ಅಂಥಾ ಸಂದರ್ಭವನ್ನು ತಮ್ಮ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ತಂದರೆ ಕ್ರಮ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೀರಾ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಎಂ ಕೃಷ್ಣ.—ಯಾರು ಇಷ್ಟು ವರ್ಷಗಳ ಕಾಲ ನಾವು ಕಾರ್ಖಾನೆಯನ್ನು ಬಿಟ್ಟು ಹೋಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ ಎಂದು ಒಪ್ಪಂದ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಂಡಿರುತ್ತಾರೆಯೋ ಅಂಥವರು ಮಧ್ಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಬಿಟ್ಟು ಹೋಗತಕ್ಕಂಥ ಪ್ರಸಂಗ ಉದ್ಭವವಾದರೆ ಅವರು ಟ್ರೈನಿಂಗ್ ಪಿರಿಯಡ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಏನು ಸ್ಟೈಪೆಂಡ್ ಡ್ರಾ ಮಾಡಿರುತ್ತಾರೆಯೋ ಅದನ್ನು ವಾಪಸು ಪಡೆಯುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಏರ್ಪಾಟು ಮಾಡುತ್ತಾರೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಎಸ್. ಕೃಷ್ಣನ್.—ಕರಾರು ಪತ್ರಗಳನ್ನು ಈಗ ಏನು ಬರೆಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ, ಅದರಲ್ಲಿ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರ್‌ಗಳಿಗೆ ವಿರುದ್ಧವಾದಂತಹ ಅನೇಕ ಅಂಶಗಳು ಏನಾದರೂ ಇವೆಯೇ? ಆ ರೀತಿ ಇದ್ದರೆ ಅದನ್ನು ಸರಿಪಡಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೀರಾ?

Sri S. M. KRISHNA.—This is some sort of a contract with the Management stating that they will continue them for a minimum period of 5-6-7 years. I do not know how some conditions which are inimical to the prospects of shift Egnineers is imposed. I am not really convinced.

Sri M. S. KRISHNAN.—The condition is that the Shift Engineers have to work for a certain number of years. When a condition is imposed by the Management, there must be a counter-condition that during the period of the undertaking the interests of those engineers